North Augusta Elementary

400 East Spring Grove Avenue North Augusta, South Carolina 29841

**Grades** K-5 Elementary School

Enrollment 885 Students

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# The State of South Carolina

Annual School Report Card 2005

# ABSOLUTE RATING

GOOD

Absolute Ratings of Elementary Schools with Students like Ours

Excellent Good Average Below Average Unsatisfactory

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## IMPROVEMENT RATING

BELOW AVERAGE

# **ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS**

YES

This school met 19 out of 19 objectives. The objectives included performance and participation of students in various groups.

Definition: As required by the United States Department of Education, Adequate Yearly Progress specifies that the statewide target is met for All Students and for the following subgroups: Racial/Ethnic, Subsidized Meals, Disability, and Limited English Proficiency.

### SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

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#### PERFORMANCE TRENDS OVER 4-YEAR PERIOD

|      | Absolute Rating | Improvement Rating | Adequate Yearly Progress |
|------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| 2002 | Good            | Below Average      | N/A                      |
| 2003 | Good            | Unsatisfactory     | Yes                      |
| 2004 | Good            | Below Average      | Yes                      |
| 2005 | Good            | Below Average      | Yes                      |

#### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

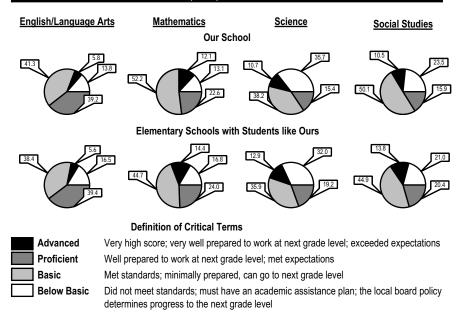
- Excellent School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- •Good School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Average School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Below Average School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- Unsatisfactory School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal

# PERCENT OF STUDENT RECORDS MATCHED FOR PURPOSES OF COMPUTING IMPROVEMENT RATING

Percent of students tested in 2004-05 whose 2003-04 test scores were located.

94.0%

# PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT)



| PACT PERFORMANCE BY GRO        |                | Τ,       | -,-           | -,-     | Τ,           | Τ,         | 7.               | -,-                      | <b>L</b>                 |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------|---------------|---------|--------------|------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                | Enrollment 1st | % Tested | % Below Basis | % Basic | % Proficient | % Advanced | % Proficient and | Performance<br>Objective | Participation<br>Object: |
|                                | sh/Langua      | •        |               |         | Objective    |            |                  |                          |                          |
| All Students                   | 465            | 99.8     | 13.8          | 41.3    | 39.2         | 5.8        | 60.4             | Yes                      | Yes                      |
| Gender                         |                |          |               |         |              |            |                  |                          |                          |
| Male                           | 243            | 99.6     | 21.1          | 40.4    | 35.1         | 3.5        | 49.1             |                          | ĺ                        |
| Female                         | 222            | 100.0    | 5.5           | 42.3    | 43.8         | 8.5        | 73.1             |                          |                          |
| Racial/Ethnic Group            |                |          |               |         |              |            |                  |                          |                          |
| White                          | 251            | 99.6     | 5.4           | 36.4    | 50.2         | 7.9        | 72.0             | Yes                      | Yes                      |
| African American               | 176            | 100.0    | 24.2          | 48.4    | 23.6         | 3.7        | 45.3             | Yes                      | Yes                      |
| Asian/Pacific Islander         | 8              | 100.0    | I/S           | I/S     | I/S          | I/S        | I/S              | I/S                      | I/S                      |
| Hispanic                       | 28             | 100.0    | 28.6          | 38.1    | 33.3         | 0.0        | 42.9             | I/S                      | I/S                      |
| American Indian/Alaskan        | 2              | 100.0    | I/S           | I/S     | I/S          | I/S        | I/S              | I/S                      | I/S                      |
| Disability Status              |                | ,        |               |         |              | ,          |                  |                          |                          |
| Not Disabled                   | 422            | 100.0    | 12.0          | 41.1    | 40.8         | 6.1        | 63.3             |                          |                          |
| Disabled                       | 43             | 97.7     | 32.4          | 43.2    | 21.6         | 2.7        | 29.7             | I/S                      | Yes                      |
| Migrant Status                 |                |          |               |         |              | ,          |                  |                          |                          |
| Migrant                        | 11             | 100.0    | I/S           | I/S     | I/S          | I/S        | I/S              |                          | ĺ                        |
| Non-Migrant                    | 454            | 99.8     | 13.1          | 41.3    | 39.7         | 5.9        | 61.3             |                          | İ                        |
| English Proficiency            |                |          |               |         |              | ,          |                  |                          |                          |
| Limited English Proficient     | 10             | 100.0    | I/S           | I/S     | I/S          | I/S        | I/S              | I/S                      | I/S                      |
| Non-Limited English Proficient | 455            | 99.8     | 13.0          | 41.6    | 39.5         | 5.9        | 61.0             |                          |                          |
| Socio-Economic Status          |                |          |               |         |              |            |                  |                          |                          |
| Subsidized meals               | 221            | 100.0    | 23.0          | 47.1    | 27.7         | 2.1        | 45.5             | Yes                      | Yes                      |
| Full-pay meals                 | 244            | 99.6     | 6.3           | 36.6    | 48.3         | 8.8        | 72.3             |                          | ı                        |

| Mathematics - State Performance Objective = 36.7% |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |  |
|---|-----|-------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|--|
| All Students                                      | 465 | 99.8  | 12.8 | 52.2 | 22.8 | 12.1 | 55.2 | Yes | Yes |  |
| Gender  |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |  |
| Male  | 243 | 99.6  | 14.5 | 49.6 | 22.8 | 13.2 | 53.1 |     |     |  |
| Female  | 222 | 100.0 | 10.9 | 55.2 | 22.9 | 10.9 | 57.7 |     |     |  |
| Racial/Ethnic Group                               |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |  |
| White   | 251 | 99.6  | 5.4  | 45.6 | 29.7 | 19.2 | 69.5 | Yes | Yes |  |
| African American                                  | 176 | 100.0 | 22.4 | 63.4 | 11.2 | 3.1  | 32.9 | Yes | Yes |  |
| Asian/Pacific Islander                            | 8   | 100.0 | I/S  | I/S  | I/S  | I/S  | I/S  | I/S | I/S |  |
| Hispanic  | 28  | 100.0 | 19.0 | 42.9 | 38.1 | 0.0  | 61.9 | I/S | I/S |  |
| American Indian/Alaskan                           | 2   | 100.0 | I/S  | I/S  | I/S  | I/S  | I/S  | I/S | I/S |  |
| Disability Status                                 |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |  |
| Not Disabled                                      | 422 | 100.0 | 11.5 | 52.8 | 23.2 | 12.5 | 57.4 |     |     |  |
| Disabled  | 43  | 97.7  | 27.0 | 45.9 | 18.9 | 8.1  | 32.4 | I/S | Yes |  |
| Migrant Status                                    |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |  |
| Migrant   | 11  | 100.0 | I/S  | I/S  | I/S  | I/S  | I/S  |     |     |  |
| Non-Migrant                                       | 454 | 99.8  | 12.4 | 52.5 | 22.8 | 12.4 | 55.6 |     |     |  |
| English Proficiency                               |     | ,     |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |  |
| Limited English Proficient                        | 10  | 100.0 | I/S  | I/S  | I/S  | I/S  | I/S  | I/S | I/S |  |
| Non-Limited English Proficient                    | 455 | 99.8  | 12.5 | 52.0 | 23.2 | 12.3 | 55.8 |     |     |  |
| Socio-Economic Status                             |     |       |      |      |      |      |      |     |     |  |
| Subsidized meals                                  | 221 | 100.0 | 20.9 | 57.6 | 18.8 | 2.6  | 38.2 | Yes | Yes |  |
| Full-pay meals                                    | 244 | 99.6  | 6.3  | 47.9 | 26.1 | 19.7 | 68.9 |     |     |  |

| PACT PERFORMANCE BY GROUP      |                                  |          |               |         |              |            |                              |  |  |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------|---------------|---------|--------------|------------|------------------------------|--|--|
|                                | Enrollment 1st<br>Day of Testing | % Tested | % Below Basic | % Basic | % Proficient | % Advanced | % Proficient and<br>Advanced |  |  |
| All Students                   | 465                              | 99.8     | ience<br>35.7 | 38.2    | 15.4         | 10.7       | 26.1                         |  |  |
| Gender                         |                                  |          |               |         |              |            |                              |  |  |
| Male                           | 243                              | 99.6     | 37.7          | 33.3    | 16.7         | 12.3       | 28.9                         |  |  |
| Female                         | 222                              | 100.0    | 33.3          | 43.8    | 13.9         | 9.0        | 22.9                         |  |  |
| Racial/Ethnic Group            |                                  |          |               |         |              |            |                              |  |  |
| White                          | 251                              | 99.6     | 18.8          | 42.3    | 21.8         | 17.2       | 38.9                         |  |  |
| African American               | 176                              | 100.0    | 57.8          | 34.8    | 5.6          | 1.9        | 7.5                          |  |  |
| Asian/Pacific Islander         | 8                                | 100.0    | I/S           | I/S     | I/S          | I/S        | I/S                          |  |  |
| Hispanic                       | 28                               | 100.0    | 52.4          | 28.6    | 9.5          | 9.5        | 19.0                         |  |  |
| American Indian/Alaskan        | 2                                | 100.0    | I/S           | I/S     | I/S          | I/S        | I/S                          |  |  |
| Disability Status              |                                  |          |               |         |              |            |                              |  |  |
| Not Disabled                   | 422                              | 100.0    | 34.2          | 38.5    | 16.3         | 11.0       | 27.3                         |  |  |
| Disabled                       | 43                               | 97.7     | 51.4          | 35.1    | 5.4          | 8.1        | 13.5                         |  |  |
| Migrant Status                 |                                  |          |               |         |              |            |                              |  |  |
| Migrant                        | 11                               | 100.0    | I/S           | I/S     | I/S          | I/S        | I/S                          |  |  |
| Non-Migrant                    | 454                              | 99.8     | 35.2          | 38.5    | 15.7         | 10.7       | 26.4                         |  |  |
| English Proficiency            |                                  |          |               |         |              |            |                              |  |  |
| Limited English Proficient     | 10                               | 100.0    | I/S           | I/S     | I/S          | I/S        | I/S                          |  |  |
| Non-Limited English Proficient | 455                              | 99.8     | 35.0          | 38.5    | 15.6         | 10.9       | 26.5                         |  |  |
| Socio–Economic Status          |                                  |          |               |         |              |            |                              |  |  |
| Subsidized meals               | 221                              | 100.0    | 51.3          | 37.2    | 7.9          | 3.7        | 11.5                         |  |  |
| Full-pay meals                 | 244                              | 99.6     | 23.1          | 39.1    | 21.4         | 16.4       | 37.8                         |  |  |
|                                |                                  | Socia    | l Studies     |         |              |            |                              |  |  |
| All Students                   | 465                              | 99.6     | 23.4          | 50.2    | 15.9         | 10.5       | 26.4                         |  |  |
| Gender                         |                                  | 00.0     | 2011          | 00.2    | 10.0         | 10.0       | 2011                         |  |  |
| Male                           | 243                              | 99.6     | 28.1          | 46.5    | 13.2         | 12.3       | 25.4                         |  |  |
| Female                         | 222                              | 99.6     | 18.0          | 54.5    | 19.0         | 8.5        | 27.5                         |  |  |
| Racial/Ethnic Group            |                                  |          |               |         |              |            |                              |  |  |
| White                          | 251                              | 99.6     | 14.2          | 47.7    | 22.6         | 15.5       | 38.1                         |  |  |
| African American               | 176                              | 100.0    | 36.6          | 52.8    | 6.8          | 3.7        | 10.6                         |  |  |
| Asian/Pacific Islander         | 8                                | 100.0    | I/S           | I/S     | I/S          | I/S        | I/S                          |  |  |
| Hispanic                       | 28                               | 96.4     | 30.0          | 55.0    | 10.0         | 5.0        | 15.0                         |  |  |
| American Indian/Alaskan        | 2                                | 100.0    | I/S           | I/S     | I/S          | I/S        | I/S                          |  |  |
| Disability Status              |                                  |          |               |         |              |            |                              |  |  |
| Not Disabled                   | 422                              | 99.8     | 20.7          | 52.2    | 16.4         | 10.7       | 27.1                         |  |  |
| Disabled                       | 43                               | 97.7     | 51.4          | 29.7    | 10.8         | 8.1        | 18.9                         |  |  |
| Migrant Status                 |                                  |          |               |         |              |            |                              |  |  |
| Migrant                        | 11                               | 90.9     | I/S           | I/S     | I/S          | I/S        | I/S                          |  |  |
| Non-Migrant                    | 454                              | 99.8     | 22.8          | 50.4    | 16.2         | 10.7       | 26.8                         |  |  |
| English Proficiency            |                                  |          |               |         |              |            |                              |  |  |
| Limited English Proficient     | 10                               | 100.0    | I/S           | I/S     | I/S          | I/S        | I/S                          |  |  |
| Non-Limited English Proficient | 455                              | 99.6     | 23.0          | 50.2    | 16.1         | 10.7       | 26.8                         |  |  |
| Socio-Economic Status          |                                  |          |               |         |              |            |                              |  |  |
| Subsidized meals               | 221                              | 99.6     | 34.7          | 53.7    | 8.9          | 2.6        | 11.6                         |  |  |
| Full-pay meals                 | 244                              | 99.6     | 14.3          | 47.5    | 21.4         | 16.8       | 38.2                         |  |  |

| PACT    | PERFORM/ | ANCE BY GRA                      | DE LEVEL      |               |                     |                |                    |                              |
|---------|----------|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|----------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
|         | /        | Enrollment 1st<br>Day of Testing | /             | % Below Basic |                     | / <sub>#</sub> | % Advanced         | % Proficient and<br>Advanced |
| 1       | Grade    | lmen<br>Test                     | % Tested      | Jw B.         | % Basic             | % Proficient   | l <sub>v</sub> anc | % Proficient ar<br>Advanced  |
| - /     | Ø        | Ehron<br>Pay or                  | %             | , Beli        | / %                 | / %<br>T       | / %                | Profi                        |
|         |          |                                  |               | Faciliab/La   | 1                   |                |                    | %                            |
|         | 3        | 150                              | 100.0         | 11.1          | nguage Arts<br>25.0 | 52.8           | 11.1               | 63.9                         |
| . I ₹ I | 4        | 146                              | 99.3          | 11.3          | 41.8                | 44.7           | 2.1                | 46.8                         |
| è       | 5        | 149                              | 100.0         | 20.0          | 46.2                | 29.0           | 4.8                | 33.8                         |
| 70      | 6<br>7   | N/A<br>N/A                       | N/A<br>N/A    | N/A           | N/A<br>N/A          | N/A            | N/A<br>N/A         | N/A                          |
| -       | 8        | N/A<br>N/A                       | N/A<br>N/A    | N/A<br>N/A    | N/A<br>N/A          | N/A<br>N/A     | N/A<br>N/A         | N/A<br>N/A                   |
| -       | 3        | 154                              | 99.4          | 9.4           | 28.1                | 51.8           | 10.8               | 62.6                         |
|         | 4        | 170                              | 100.0         | 18.9          | 42.1                | 35.8           | 3.1                | 39.0                         |
| 8       | 5        | 141                              | 100.0         | 11.5          | 54.6                | 30.0           | 3.8                | 33.8                         |
| 2       | 6        | N/A                              | N/A           | N/A           | N/A                 | N/A            | N/A                | N/A                          |
|         | 7<br>8   | N/A                              | N/A<br>N/A    | N/A           | N/A                 | N/A            | N/A<br>N/A         | N/A                          |
| -       | 0        | N/A                              | IN/A          | N/A<br>Mathe  | N/A<br>matics       | N/A            | N/A                | N/A                          |
|         | 3        | 150                              | 100.0         | 13.9          | 53.5                | 26.4           | 6.3                | 32.6                         |
|         | 4        | 146                              | 100.0         | 10.6          | 45.8                | 24.6           | 19.0               | 43.7                         |
| lè.     | 5        | 149                              | 100.0         | 12.4          | 37.9                | 27.6           | 22.1               | 49.7                         |
| 72      | 6        | N/A                              | N/A           | N/A           | N/A                 | N/A            | N/A                | N/A                          |
| -       | 7<br>8   | N/A<br>N/A                       | N/A<br>N/A    | N/A<br>N/A    | N/A<br>N/A          | N/A<br>N/A     | N/A<br>N/A         | N/A<br>N/A                   |
| -       | 3        | 154                              | 99.4          | 7.9           | 61.9                | 18.7           | 11.5               | 30.2                         |
|         | 4        | 170                              | 100.0         | 19.5          | 37.7                | 31.4           | 11.3               | 42.8                         |
| 8       | 5        | 141                              | 100.0         | 10.0          | 60.0                | 16.2           | 13.8               | 30.0                         |
| 2       | 6        | N/A                              | N/A           | N/A           | N/A                 | N/A            | N/A                | N/A                          |
|         | 7        | N/A                              | N/A           | N/A           | N/A                 | N/A            | N/A                | N/A                          |
| _       | 8        | N/A                              | N/A           | N/A           | N/A                 | N/A            | N/A                | N/A                          |
|         | 3        |                                  |               | SCIE          | ence                |                |                    |                              |
|         | 4        |                                  |               |               |                     |                |                    |                              |
| 7       | 5        |                                  |               |               |                     |                |                    |                              |
| 12      | 6        |                                  |               |               |                     |                |                    |                              |
|         | 7<br>8   |                                  |               |               |                     |                |                    |                              |
| -       |          | 454                              | 00.4          | 00.4          | 44.0                | 45.0           | 40.4               | 05.0                         |
| -       | 3<br>4   | 154<br>170                       | 99.4<br>100.0 | 33.1<br>37.1  | 41.0<br>32.7        | 15.8<br>18.9   | 10.1<br>11.3       | 25.9<br>30.2                 |
| 8       | 5        | 141                              | 100.0         | 36.2          | 42.3                | 10.8           | 10.8               | 21.5                         |
| 2       | 6        | N/A                              | N/A           | N/A           | N/A                 | N/A            | N/A                | N/A                          |
|         | 7        | N/A                              | N/A           | N/A           | N/A                 | N/A            | N/A                | N/A                          |
| _       | 8        | N/A                              | N/A           | N/A           | N/A                 | N/A            | N/A                | N/A                          |
|         | 3        |                                  |               | Social        | Studies             |                |                    |                              |
| 700     | 4        |                                  |               |               |                     |                |                    |                              |
| 12      | 5        |                                  |               |               |                     |                |                    |                              |
| 2       | 6        |                                  |               |               |                     |                |                    |                              |
|         | 7        |                                  |               |               |                     |                |                    |                              |
|         | 8        |                                  | 0             |               |                     | 4              |                    | 20.5                         |
|         | 3        | 154<br>170                       | 98.7<br>100.0 | 18.8<br>24.5  | 58.0<br>49.7        | 16.7<br>16.4   | 6.5<br>9.4         | 23.2<br>25.8                 |
| 2       | 4<br>5   | 141                              | 100.0         | 24.5          | 49.7                | 14.6           | 16.2               | 30.8                         |
| é       | 6        | N/A                              | N/A           | N/A           | N/A                 | N/A            | N/A                | N/A                          |
| 67      | 7        | N/A                              | N/A           | N/A           | N/A                 | N/A            | N/A                | N/A                          |
|         | 8        | N/A                              | N/A           | N/A           | N/A                 | N/A            | N/A                | N/A                          |

| SCHOOL PROFILE  |                |                                |   |                                |
|---|----------------|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| 0( 1, (, / - 005)   | Our<br>School  | Change from<br>Last Year       | Elementary<br>Schools<br>with Students<br>Like Ours | Median<br>Elementary<br>School |
| Students (n= 885)   |                |                                |   |                                |
| First graders who attended full-day kindergarten                                | 89.0%          | Up from 73.8%                  | 100.0%  | 100.0%                         |
| Retention rate  | 4.4%           | Down from 5.4%                 | 2.6%  | 3.0%                           |
| Attendance rate   | 96.4%          | Down from 96.7%                | 96.4%   | 96.3%                          |
| Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level  | 3.5%<br>I      | Down from 6.5%                 | 3.5%  | 3.7%                           |
| Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (Math) off grade level | 3.2%           | Down from 5.6%                 | 3.0%  | 3.2%                           |
| Eligible for gifted and talented  | 20.4%          | Down from 24.9%                | 18.6%   | 12.0%                          |
| On academic plans   | N/AV           | N/AV                           | N/A   | N/AV                           |
| On academic probation   | N/AV           | N/AV                           | N/A   | N/AV                           |
| With disabilities other than speech   | 4.5%           | Down from 5.1%                 | 7.9%  | 8.2%                           |
| Older than usual for grade  | 2.6%           | Up from 1.9%                   | 0.8%  | 0.9%                           |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses      | 0.0%           | No change                      | 0.0%  | 0.0%                           |
| Teachers (n= 60)  |                |                                |   |                                |
| Teachers with advanced degrees  | 53.3%          | Up from 39.7%                  | 52.7%   | 52.6%                          |
| Continuing contract teachers  | 93.3%          | Up from 89.7%                  | 84.6%   | 83.3%                          |
| Highly qualified teachers   | 98.2%          | Up from 94.3%                  | 93.9%   | 93.5%                          |
| Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates                             | 0.0%           | No change                      | 0.0%  | 0.0%                           |
| Teachers returning from previous year Teacher attendance rate                   | 94.5%<br>94.9% | Up from 89.5%<br>Up from 94.1% | 89.4%<br>94.9%                                      | 87.0%<br>95.0%                 |
| Average teacher salary  | \$43,415       | Up 2.0%                        | \$42,560  | \$41,703                       |
| Prof. development days/teacher  | 15.2 days      | No change                      | 12.5 days   | 12.8 days                      |
| School  |                |                                |   |                                |
| Principal's years at school   | 3.0            | Up from 2.0                    | 5.0   | 4.0                            |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects  | 19.9 to 1      | Up from 19.7 to 1              | 19.3 to 1   | 18.8 to 1                      |
| Prime instructional time  | 90.6%          | Up from 89.5%                  | 90.0%   | 89.8%                          |
| Dollars spent per pupil*  | \$5,197        | Up 1.0%                        | \$5,859   | \$6,242                        |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*                                   | 69.8%          | Down from 70.2%                | 66.1%   | 65.8%                          |
| Opportunities in the arts   | Good           | No change                      | Good  | Good                           |
| Parents attending conferences   | 99.0%          | No change                      | 99.0%   | 99.0%                          |
| SACS accreditation  | Yes            | No change                      | Yes   | Yes                            |
| Character development program * Prior year audited financial data are reported. | Excellent      | No change                      | Excellent   | Good                           |
|   |                | Our District                   |   | State                          |
| Highly qualified teachers in low poverty sch                                    | nools          | 89.0%                          |   | 89.4%                          |
| Highly qualified teachers in high poverty so                                    | hools          | 90.5%                          |   | 90.1%                          |
|   |                | State Objectiv                 | e Met Sta   | ate Objective                  |
| Highly qualified teachers in this school  |                | 65.0%                          |   | Yes                            |
| Student attendance in this school   |                | 95.3%                          |   | Yes                            |
|   |                |                                |   |                                |

### REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Our mission at North Augusta Elementary School is to work cooperatively with parents and the community to promote academic success and critical thinking in a safe, challenging environment with high expectations in order to develop lifelong learners. The teachers' high expectations, not only for students, but also for themselves, contributes to the challenge in the classroom. Incorporating technology into the instruction requires continual expansion of knowledge of technology and pursuing available resources to engage students in learning. More than half of the classrooms now are equipped with SMART Board technology, thanks to supportive parents and community who assist with resources. In addition to technology training, a large number of faculty are engaged in graduate studies. Enhancing their teaching of science is done through field experiences and through the support of a science coach provided through the state's math and science initiative and Ruth Patrick Center.

Achieving status as a finalist for the Palmetto's Finest Award affirmed to the school family that standards of excellence matter and are being accomplished. It is not the recognition, but the process that refines all the efforts made to make the best possible school for our students. Students take pride in having an exciting learning place where many happy experiences support their growth. A "Red Carpet" atmosphere, meeting Adequate Yearly Progress, and successfully completing the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools self-study process are tangible indicators of the integrity of the educational process at NAE!

As a 21st Century Community Learning Center, North Augusta Elementary continues to tailor programs that will meet needs of all students. Excellent teachers and effective paraprofessionals who work with individual students to insure that each student reaches his or her potential make this school a success. Caring daily to do whatever is right and good for children is our commitment!

Dr. Angela Burkhalter, Principal

| EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS, STUDENTS, AND PARENTS  |          |           |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|----------|-----------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|   | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of surveys returned  | 55       | 126       | 77       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment   | 92.7%    | 86.3%     | 85.3%    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment  | 96.4%    | 78.8%     | 87.8%    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations  | 96.3%    | 88.2%     | 76.0%    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| *Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included. |          |           |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |